

To the members of the Judiciary committee;

I thank you for taking the time to hear my voice as this is my first time preparing a testimony for a General Assembly Public Hearing.

I want to make it very clear that it is of utmost urgency that you say **NO** to the following bill presented before you; S.B. 16 AN ACT ADDRESSING GUN VIOLENCE AND JUVENILE CRIME. The proposal of these draconian restrictions further prove how out of touch Governor Lamont has become.

The idea that the leaders within the 'Constitution State' believe that the best way to solve crime is to further strip the 2nd and 4th amendment rights of their law abiding citizens through the use of stop and frisk style targeting of the legally armed public, as well as firearm ownership restriction at levels never before seen within this nation, is quite frankly appalling.

I would like to mention that for myself as well as many of my other friends and colleagues, this year will be our first chance to vote in the state elections. We are also faced with the ever approaching decision of whether to stay within the state following the completion of our higher education, or whether there are better opportunities, both in terms of cost of living as well as guaranteed rights elsewhere within our nation. Keep this in mind, as many within this new generation of voters will weigh how our leaders perceive the value of our constitutional rights both at the polls this November, as well as when we address decisions surrounding our futures within this state.

You must **OPPOSE** S.B. 16 AN ACT ADDRESSING GUN VIOLENCE AND JUVENILE CRIME.

In addition, I also **OPPOSE H.B. No. 5416** AN ACT CONCERNING BULK PURCHASES OF PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS.

I **SUPPORT** Raised **S.B. No. 388** – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON OR A PERSON'S DWELLING, PLACE OF WORK OR MOTOR VEHICLE.

I **SUPPORT** Raised **H.B. No. 5415** – AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF ASSAULT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.

I **SUPPORT** Raised **H.B. No. 5412** – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTY TO RETREAT IN A RELIGIOUS HOUSE OF WORSHIP.

Thank you for your time,
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